REQUEST **FOR**

CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL

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Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. § 132, effective on May 29, 2000, provides for continued examination of an utility or plant application filed on or after June 8, 1995

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| Application Number | | 10/626,633 |
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| First Named Inventor | | Gianni GUALA |
| Group Art Unit | | 3761 |
| Examiner Name | | Leslie Deak |
| Matter Number | | Q75566 |
| Title | CANNULA WITH PROTECTION CAP FOR MEDICAL INFUSION LINES AND THE LIKE | |

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application. 1. SUBMISSION REQUIRED UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 a.

Previously submitted Please enter and consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on June 5, 2006 Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on ii. 🗆 iii. 🗆 Other b. \(\overline{ i.

Amendment/Reply ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s) iii. Information Disclosure Statements (IDS) Petition for Extension of Time iv. 🗹 v.

Other 2. MISCELLANEOUS a.

Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of _____ months Other Ъ. 🗆 3. FEES A check for the RCE statutory fee of \$790.00 is attached. The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached. CORRESPONDENCE ADDRESS Direct all correspondence to the address for SUGHRUE MION, PLLC filed under the Customer Number listed below: WASHINGTON OFFICE 08/08/2006 JADDO1 00000100 10626633 23373 790.00 OP 01 FC:1801 CUSTOMER NUMBER SIGNATURE OF ATTORNEY Registration No. 32,778 Name Brian W. Hannon Signature Style & Rolemin #57,574 Date August 7, 2006